

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

March 27, 1998

H.R. 3087

A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to grant an easement to Chugach Alaska Corporation

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on March 11, 1998

H.R. 3087 would direct the Secretary of Agriculture to grant Chugach Alaska Corporation an irrevocable and perpetual 500-foot wide easement across federal land as depicted on a map entitled "Carbon Mountain Access Easement" and dated November 4, 1997. The bill would require the Secretary to grant the easement by December 11, 1998.

CBO estimates that implementing the bill would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Because enacting H.R. 2416 would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

H.R. 3087 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The bill would benefit the Chugach Alaska Corporation, a regional native corporation in Alaska, by facilitating its development of currently inaccessible lands.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Victoria V. Heid (for federal costs), and Marjorie Miller (for the impact on state, local, and tribal governments). This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.